REMARKS

Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 because the amendments place the application in condition for allowance, do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration, and do not present any additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because they are made in response to arguments raised in the final rejection.

Claims 1-20 were pending when examined.

By this Amendment, claims 1-20 are cancelled, and new claims 21-34 are added.

Claims 21 and 22 correspond with claims 1 and 3, respectively.

Claims 23 and 24 correspond with claims 5 and 8, respectively.

Claim 25 corresponds with claim 9.

Claims 26 and 29-32 correspond with claims 12 and 14-17, respectively.

Claims 27 and 28 correspond with claim 13.

Claims 33 and 34 correspond with claim 18.

The courtesies extended to Applicant's representative by Examiner Aulakh at the interview held October 23, 2009, are appreciated. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicant's record of the interview.

Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 12-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9 and 12-17 are objected to for containing non-elected subject matter.

Claims 1-3, 5-9 and 12-19 are cancelled, rendering the rejection and objection moot.

As agreed upon during the personal interview, new claims 21-34 do not include nonelected subject matter, and claims 21-34 are definite.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's agreement during the interview to enter the Amendment After Final Rejection.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner find that anything further would be desirable in order to place the application in better condition for allowance, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

Yasuhiro HIDAKA

By

Andrew B. Freistein Registration No. 52,917 Attorney for Applicant

WMC/ABF/rgf Washington, D.C. 20005-1503 Telephone (202) 721-8200 Facsimile (202) 721-8250 October 30, 2009